

1. Is a county government an eligible applicant? What about a non-profit organization?

Yes, both are eligible applicants

2. Can funds be used to provide direct assistance to clients, such as rent/utility assistance or to pay for transitional housing?

Yes, funds can be used to provide direct client assistance

3. Can you please provide more guidance regarding the budget? Do you want only an in-line budget, a budget narrative, or both? Can you provide a template for what line items you'd like us to include in the budget?

Applicants should provide both an in-line budget and narrative. There is no template for the budget given the broad range of uses for this funding. Please be detailed in the budget description, including any staff costs and specific expenses to complete the work.

4. Is the budget and narrative limited to 1 page?

Budget sheets are exempted from the page limits. Applicants may submit a narrative, up to 1 page in length, along with a budget sheet.

5. Can you provide a template or further guidance on the format and contents you'd like to see in the Logic Model in section 3.1.4? Can you provide a definition and example of a deliverable, as opposed to an output or activity?

Applicants are welcome to use whatever format preferred for the logic model, including a simple written summary. It should describe the theory by which the proposal will result in an impact on homelessness experienced by youth/young adults exiting a public system. Core components to address include inputs, activities, outputs, and outcomes.

It's not too important to get caught up in any rigid definition of the terminology, but here's a general description of the terms:

Inputs—resources that go into producing a desired result. For example staffing, materials, supplies, equipment, etc

Activities—the interventions, strategies, processes, or methods that are used to achieve a result. For example, assessments may be an activity used to identify youth at risk of homelessness, or case management may be an activity that is intended to connect youth to housing.

Outputs—the tangible result of the activity. For example, 100 youth are identified through an assessment, or 100 youth are able to find housing through case management.

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Outcome—the impact you hope to have—for example, a decrease in the number of youth experiencing homelessness

The deliverables, referenced in number 6 under section 3.1., may be the same as what an applicant articulates the outputs to be. They should connect to the core objectives in section 1.2.